

REMARKS

The Patent Office has indicated that claims 151 and 152 are objected to, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The Patent Office has also rejected the remaining claims for the reasons asserted in the Office Action. While Applicants do not concede the merits of any of the rejections as set forth in the Office Action, Applicants have elected to rewrite claims 151 and 152 in independent form, and to rewrite claims 153-156 to depend ultimately from claim 151 and 152. Applicants have cancelled the remaining claims (149, 150, 157-160, 165, and 166) without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, claims 151-156 are now pending for examination with claim 151 and 152 being the independent claims. Applicants reserve the right to pursue claims similar or identical to the rejected claims as pending prior to cancellation or amendment herein in one or more applications claiming priority to the instant application.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, this application should now be in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, after the foregoing remarks, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicants hereby request any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 23/2825, under Docket No. M0656.70098US00.

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